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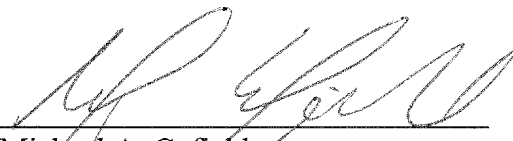
APPLICANT'S COMMENTS ON
EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.104(e)

The Applicant notes that the Examiner has given some of the reasons for allowing the claims. Applicant notes that the limitations in the independent claims provide additional novel and non-obvious reasons for patentability in view of the prior art references. The scope of the claims may also be broader than the Examiner's stated reasons for allowance.

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